

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF WYOMING

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STEPHAN HARRIS, CLERK  
CASPER

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

TRAVIS AARON BENSON,

Defendant.

No.

16 cr 237-5

Ct 1: 18 U.S.C. §§ 2252A(a)(5)(B) and  
(b)(2)  
(Possession of Child Pornography)

Ct 2: 18 U.S.C. §§ 2252A(a)(1) and (b)(1)  
(Transportation of Child Pornography)

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INDICTMENT

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THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

COUNT ONE

On or about November 10, 2016, in the District of Wyoming, the Defendant, **TRAVIS AARON BENSON**, did knowingly possess material which contains an image, or images, of child pornography, involving a prepubescent child, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256(8)(A), that were produced using materials that had been shipped and traveled in and affected interstate commerce, namely, an HGST 1TB hard drive, a product of China, that contained digital images of prepubescent children engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2252A(a)(5)(B) and (b)(2).

COUNT TWO


From on or about October 1, 2016, through and including November 10, 2016, in the District of Wyoming and elsewhere, the Defendant, **TRAVIS AARON BENSON**, knowingly transported child pornography, as defined by Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256(8), using a means and

facility of interstate commerce, namely, the Defendant, using the Internet, uploaded an image of a child engaged in sexually explicit conduct to a remote storage location maintained by Dropbox, Inc.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2252A(a)(1) and (b)(1).

A TRUE BILL:

Ink Signature on File in Clerk's Office  
FOREPERSON

  
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CHRISTOPHER A. CROFTS  
United States Attorney

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**PENALTY SUMMARY**

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**DEFENDANT NAME:** TRAVIS AARON BENSON

**DATE:** November 15, 2016

**INTERPRETER NEEDED:** No

**PLACE OF TRIAL:** The government, pursuant to Rule 18, F.R.Cr.P., with due regard for the convenience of the Defendant, any victim and witnesses, and the prompt administration of justice, requests trial be held in:

**Cheyenne**

**VICTIM(S):** No

**OFFENSE/PENALTIES:**

**Ct: 1 18 U.S.C. §§ 2252A(a)(5)(B) and (b)(2)**  
(Possession of Child Pornography)

0-20 Years Imprisonment  
Up To \$250,000 Fine  
5 Years To Life Supervised Release  
\$100 Special Assessment

**Ct: 2 18 U.S.C. §§ 2252A(a)(2)(A) and (b)(1)**  
(Receipt of Child Pornography)

5-20 Years Imprisonment  
Up To \$250,000 Fine  
5 Years To Life Supervised Release  
\$100 Special Assessment

**TOTALS:** 5-40 Years Imprisonment  
Up To \$500,000 Fine  
5 Years to Life Supervised Release  
\$100 Special Assessment

**AGENT:** Shannon Reinert, ICE

**AUSA:** Timothy J. Forwood, Assistant United States Attorney

**ESTIMATED TIME OF  
TRIAL:**

1 to 5 days

**WILL THE GOVERNMENT  
SEEK DETENTION IN THIS  
CASE:**

Yes

**ARE THERE DETAINERS  
FROM OTHER  
JURISDICTIONS:**

No